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HONGKONG, 27th March, 1903.

THERE is more than one aspect of the election on Wednesday of two members of the Sanitary Board which calls for comment. Never before in the history of Hongkong have three hundred persons in the Colony been induced to take sufficient interest in the administrative affairs of the Colony as to attend the City Hall to record their votes in the election of representatives to the Sanitary Board. It had indeed come to be understood that such a thing as a popular election was unheard of in Hongkong, though as a matter of fact the right of the ratepayers to elect two representatives on the Sanitary Board has always existed. No popularly elected representative had sat for some time on the old Board simply because the ratepayers appeared utterly unconcerned about the matter. After the result of Wednesday's election we may surely say now nous avons changé tout cela.

While the community received with the utmost satisfaction the announcement that Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., had been returned with such a handsome lead, the European residents of the Colony are certainly grievously disappointed that either Mr. HOOPER or Mr. HEWITT has not been returned as Mr. POLLOCK's colleague. It has been commonly understood that these two seats were intended for Europeans, since the Ordinance makes special provision for the appointment of two Chinese representatives on the Board; but, as we have previously pointed out, there is nothing in the Ordinance expressly preventing the seats being occupied by men of any race if only they can find sufficient supporters to vote for them. The election of Mr. RUMJAHN, it is very manifest in no less a surprise than a disap-

ointment to the European community and this brings us to a consideration of a matter of some importance in these elections, namely: Who are the electors? According to the Ordinance they are (1) those ratepayers whose names appear on the Special and Common Juries' Lists; and (2) those ratepayers who are qualified to be placed thereon but who are excused on account of their avocations. Now the question we desire to ask is, Who are ratepayers in Hongkong? We are told that a ratepayer is not necessarily an occupier who pays directly the rates of the premises he occupies; his landlord may pay them, but this would not relieve the occupier of his obligation in the event of default on the part of the landlord; therefore, the occupier remains virtually the ratepayer. No objection can, of course, be taken to this, but do the authorities in Hongkong regard the lodger as a "ratepayer"? We believe the lodger was a determining factor in the election which took place on Wednesday. If the lodger is regarded in Hongkong as a ratepayer—we are not prepared to say that *ipso facto* he is not a ratepayer—then, at any rate, that ought to be plainly stated when any popular vote is taken in the future. At home the lodger is not regarded as a ratepayer, and doubtless many who would otherwise have voted on Wednesday had they been aware that a lodger here was regarded as a ratepayer, would have helped to swell the poll. On any future occasion of a similar nature, these points ought to be made clear, and moreover we would suggest the desirability of having an interval between the date of nomination and the date of election in the event of a poll. Had there been such an interval on the present occasion it would have enabled many misunderstandings to have been cleared up. Brief addresses by the candidates upon their nomination would probably have served a useful purpose, but as only two hours were allowed for nominations and allotting, time obviously could not be spared for specifying. One consequence of this was that Mr. SHELTON HOOPER probably suffered somewhat, as in some quarters the feeling existed that he, if elected, would from the nature of his occupation be the representative of a class interest rather than of the general interests of the community. It was a mistake for anyone to have supposed that, and had there been an opportunity for speeches at the time of nomination Mr. HOOPER would probably have dissipated the notion.

One more observation may be made in reference to the Sanitary Board. Owing to the impending departure of Mr. OSBORNE from the Colony, the duty falls upon His Excellency the Governor of appointing a successor. Fortunately the election on Wednesday proves that there is no lack of interest felt by the community in the work of the Sanitary Board, and no lack of well-qualified residents willing to give the requisite time and attention to the duties. His Excellency therefore will experience no difficulty in filling up the vacancy.

H.M.S. *Amphitrite* left yesterday for Japan. We regret that pressure upon our space to-day compels us to hold over until to-morrow a lengthy letter on the currency question.

Field firing will take place to-morrow morning from a point one mile south of Kowloon Point, firing on the southern slope of the hill.

A notification in a *Government Gazette Extraordinary* issued yesterday states that telegraphic information has been received that the Government of Burma has declared Hongkong to be an infected port.

The Hon. Secretary of the H.K.C. informs us that his committee has awarded three badges to those members whose play has been specially useful in the Association game, and four caps to members in the Rugby code. These will be presented at the ninth annual dinner to-morrow.

By permission of Major Radcliffe and Officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme to-day, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner:—

March ..... "The Esquado," ..... Ivan Cyril Lancers ..... "The Army and Navy," Ernest Allion Dance ..... "Hungarian," ..... Muller Selection ..... "Cavalier," "Buddhist," Masséigni Valtz ..... "Valois Brilliant," ..... Chopin Selection ..... "Merry England," ..... Ed. German Extra.

Gavotte ..... "The First Primrose," ..... Eilenberg

A coolie at the Police Court yesterday told an ingenuous story in giving his version of an incident that led to his appearance in the dock on charge of stealing two jackets which were drying on the roof of a house in Bonham Strand. He was carrying a bird in his hand, he said, and the bird flew away. It lighted on the bamboo pole carrying the two jackets, and, seeing this, the erstwhile owner of the feathered pet climbed the scaffolding surrounding the house to recapture it. Just as he was on the point of laying his hand on the bird, it flew away again, and he was clutching the jackets in his hand, quite unconscious of what he was doing, when the owner of the clothing appeared and arrested him. The Magistrate did not believe the story, and sent the defendant to goal for one month, with hard labour.

The Rev. W. H. C. Dunkerley, Colonial Chaplain of Singapore, has been appointed Archdeacon of Singapore.

The United States Consul-General at Bangkok in a recent report to his Government forwards and endorses the views of a business man well acquainted with trade throughout the Far East, to the effect that there is a good opportunity for the establishment of a properly conducted American firm in Bangkok.

The House of Commons is not always dull; it has, at times, its little jokes. When Mr. Joseph Watt put down his amendment to the Address respecting China and Persia, Mr. D. A. Thomas put down an amendment on the paper to make the words read, "from China to Peru," but this just caught the Speaker's eye, and was expunged.

In French Indo-China, the Government has planned a set of naval bases, but want of money stands in the way of carrying out the idea. The selected points are these:—Capot t. James (Saigon) in the south; Port Courbet, and, later, Kwangchowwan in the north. St. James and Saigon seem, indeed, to fulfil sufficiently well the conditions of linked bases.

At one of Christie, Manson & Woods' in London last month a fluted melon-shaped topot and cover, carved in old Chinese pale-green jade, mounted with metal-gilt handles, sold for 52 guineas; an altar set of old Chinese cloisonné enamel, decorated with formal flowers, ornaments and emblems—25 guineas; a pair of figures of ladies of old Chinese proclan, each holding a pink lotus flower, to form candlesticks, 11½ in. high—28 guineas. The articles formed part of the estate of the late Mr. James Macandrew of Belmont.

It would hardly be supposed that the *Hongkong Daily Press* was three years in advance of a leading London daily, but such is the fact. The *Globe* of 16th ult. says:—"To-day, for the first time, the *Globe* is entirely printed by electricity. Even a short time ago such dependence would have been quite unsafe; and the fact that we are able to make the change now in complete confidence, shows the immense advance made by electricity as a practical motive power." This paper has been printed entirely by electricity for nearly three years.

Messrs. C. Mitchell & Co., the well known advertising agents of Snow Hill, London, have just issued their *Newspaper Press Directory* for 1903—the fifty-eighth. It is as usual well brought up to date. In addition to the directory there are various articles on news-paper and co mercial subjects, and special articles in the Colonial Supplement on "How Far is Commercial Union of the Empire Feasible?" by Ernest E. Williams; "The Australian Federal Tariff"; "Australian Shipping and Immigration Laws," by Hon. W. P. Reeves; three special South African articles; and the usual articles on the import trade of the colonies.

An amusing little comedy was witnessed recently at a Court ball in Rome. While King Victor and Queen Heleida were going separately to salute their principal guests, the Queen found herself near the new Chinese Minister, who, in reply to a Royal compliment, expressed in French, stood silent with a bland smile upon his countenance. The situation, says the Rome correspondent of the *Nottingham Chronicle*, was becoming embarrassing, when an aide-de-camp explained that the diplomatic Chinaman spoke nothing but Chinese. "But is not that his interpreter?" queried Her Majesty. "Yes, and he can only speak English," was the reply. Then the Queen smiled: the Chinaman had done nothing else all the time, and the incident ended.

In October, 1898, the S.P.C.K. voted £50 towards a church at Kowloon, to cost £250 and to seat 100 people, but this grant could not be claimed. Archdeacon Bannister, of Hongkong, to whom the S.P.C.K. had applied, said:—"It was not possible for us at that time to fulfil your two conditions, namely, that the church should be vested in a corporation, and that the church should remain on that site for ever, inasmuch as the Church in Hongkong was not then organised, and also because of the fact that the land was only held on an annual lease, terminable at the will of the Government. Those two difficulties have been removed. The Chinese Church has now been organised into a self-supporting and self-governing branch of the Anglican Communion, and His Majesty's Government have made a grant in parity of a sum for the erection of a church, on which it is now proposed to build a larger church. The church will cost from £200 to £270, and will accommodate 400 people." The Bishop of Victoria supported the application, and the committee recommended that the former grant of £50 should be written off, and that a grant of £100 should be voted towards the proposed church at Kowloon, which was voted.

CASE OF PLAGUE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

The usual daily return of the number of plague cases in the Colony, issued on Wednesday, recorded a case at Government House. A Chinese coolie was found to be suffering from the disease, and was promptly removed to the hospital.

The total number of cases reported for the year, down to noon yesterday, was 118.

Miss Prettie: "Mr. Rider is so entertaining! He seems to have come in contact with so many people."

Mr. Wheeler (vividly): "Yes, indeed. You should watch him on his bicycle."

## TELEGRAMS.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

## LIOTING IN TRINIDAD.

THE MOB FIRED ON BY THE POLICE.

LONDON, 24th March.

Serious riots have taken place in Trinidad in connection with an obnoxious Water Bill.

The crowd stoned and ignited the Government buildings, which were gutted, and the Governor and Council had to be escorted through the mob from the burning buildings after the police had fired to clear a way. Several were killed and wounded.

The *Palace* and *Rocket* landed bluejackets to restore order.

The mob is still excited and dangerous.

## PUBLIC APPRECIATION OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, 24th March.

Mr. Chamberlain has refused the offer of a great demonstration in his honor, not being desirous that political capital should be made out of his tour in South Africa.

## RECALL OF GENERAL SIR HECTOR MACDONALD.

LONDON, 24th March.

General Sir Hector Macdonald has been ordered from (?) Colombo to answer some very grave charges made against him. The Governor has been authorised to convene a Court-martial, officers being outside the scope of the criminal law of the Colony.

Evidently the telegram should read "return to Colombo" as Sir Hector Macdonald left Colombo a few weeks ago by special permission of the Governor on "urgent private business."—ED. D.P.

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.

LONDON, 24th March.

The result of the Lincolnshire Handicap is as follows:—

1 ... ... ... Over Norton.  
2 ... ... ... Ypres.  
3 ... ... ... Portcullis

## HONGKONG SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The annual athletic sports of the Hongkong Schools (Bellios Public School, Diocesan Boys' School, Diocesan Girls' School, Ellis Kedoeck School, Kowloon British School, Queen's College, R. C. Cathedral School, St. Joseph's College, Union College, Wan Chai Government School), took place yesterday at Happy Valley and were a great success. Messrs. B. James and H. Sykes acted as starters. Messrs. B. T. Tanner, A. O. Brown, G. J. W. King and Rev. Bro. Stephen as judges. Messrs. Sykes and Tanner as handicappers, and Mr. A. H. Crook and Rev. Bro. Sylvester as time-keepers. The results were as follows:—

Long Jump. For boys up to 16 years of age. 1. B. Wong; 2. Y. Gonvalves; 3. A. G. Simien.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap). For boys from 10 to 13 years of age. 1. J. M. Baradus; 2. C. Banjo; 3. Sero Poi.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap). For boys from 13 to 16 years of age. 1. J. Da Roche; 2. Wing Shiu Cheung; 3. L. Rodriguez.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap). For boys from 7 to 10 years of age. 1. C. Loureiro; 2. J. Castro; 2. H. M. Castro.

1 MILE BICYCLE RACE (Handicap). Open to all ages. 1. H. F. Bunje; 2. Wong Shiu Cheung.

HIGH JUMP. For boys 10 to 15 years of age. 1. M. Loo; 2. F. Mootee.

At the conclusion the prizes were presented by Mrs. G. H. Bateson Wright.

## THE CHARTERED BANK DIVIDEND.

Mr. T. S. Cochrane, the manager of the local branch of the Chartered Bank, courteously informs us of the receipt yesterday of the following telegram from the head office in London:—

"At the approaching meeting of shareholders, the directors will recommend a dividend for the past half-year of 27.50 per annum, free of income tax, that £27,500 be placed to reserve, which will then stand at £272,500, that £47,500 be carried forward as undivided profit, and that a bonus of 15 per cent be paid to the staff of the bank."

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call, on the 24th inst., a.m.

The Indo-China steamer *Namneung* left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 25th inst., and may be expected here on the 11th prox.

## THE ADMIRALTY DOCK QUESTION.

## DEPUTATION TO THE GOVERNOR.

The Commission came out to would point out the advantages of these sites over the present one. "It," he thought, "could be very easily arranged. They could give the Admiralty bigger sites and better sites in every respect and still with all that was wanted with regard to the water frontage." Then probably His Excellency might ask, and a good many people might naturally ask: What about the expense that the Navy have gone into? They had thought of that. If he was rightly informed, he believed that the Navy so far had expended £250,000 to £300,000. The land which they like to use from the War Office was worth a lot of money.

He thought that some two years ago he gave the Governor an estimate of that land and he had no reason now to alter that estimate.

If anything, he thought, it was worth even more.

If two of the sites that they proposed to offer to the Navy were accepted then the Colony

would have to give these sites—they belonged

mostly to the Government with perhaps one or two small resumptions—and they would

get in turn what the Navy now occupy

plus what is wanted from the Military. If they got that they could then afford to compensate the Navy perhaps for the expenses they had incurred, but this amount, some £250,000 or £300,000, although expended was not lost,

because suppose they took any one of these other sites and went on with the Dock scheme

all the blocks and the timber for the cofferdam could be again used. The reclamation which had been done would come in useful for them

for the continuation of the Praya; and the road having been widened to 75 feet, that would

thought it would remain, that we should probably always have a very considerable Navy engaged in the Far East. The question that presented itself was in a nutshell. When they put the question before His Majesty's Government, as they would in their position—a position which he hoped and believed he would be able to support most heartily in all its statements and all its suggestions (applause)—the two questions that they would have to consider were, first of all, whether, in the event of the removal of the Dock elsewhere a considerable amount of time might or might not be lost. They had already seen—he was speaking now as the man in the street—that it was quite clear it was to the advantage of His Majesty's service that the Dock should be completed as soon as possible. He knew nothing of the difficulties that had been shadowed by Mr. Shawen; but he assumed that, if there were such difficulties, it might help to solve the question, because he took it that, in the removal of the Dock to another position, that position would be such as would afford a sound bottom, and facilities for the building of the Dock which did not appear, from Mr. Shawen's statement, to exist at the present moment. Apart from that question, and assuming that that could be answered, and that it could be demonstrated on enquiry that the Dock would and could probably be completed as quickly elsewhere as this Dock might be if it is gone or with, then came the question of the expenses to the Imperial Government. That question had already been answered by the Committee through their chairman, Sir Paul Chater, in his statement that, in their view the Colony could afford to acquire for the Naval authorities the whole of their present holding, and to supply the Naval authorities with a site elsewhere. He had gone into that question a little with Sir Paul Chater and agreed with him. He thought his calculations were probably right, and that it would be for the benefit of this Colony that the Imperial Government should be assured that, if a change be made it would be made without expense to His Majesty's Government. He knew nothing of a proposed Commission for the purpose of settling differences between the Military and Naval authorities and hardly thought, not from any official source or official knowledge, that Sir Paul Chater had been quite correctly led to believe. He knew that, in the minds of certain people, and certainly in his mind, was presented the advisability of sending out a Commission for the purpose of considering the question that they were approaching—the question as to the ultimate expansion of the Dockyard premises and the possibility of the removal of the Dock—because he did not think he was at all singular in the view that, while His Majesty's Navy is here primarily for the protection of the trade of the East, it was rather paradoxical that the protection of that trade of the East should be given in the great port of the East, the second port in the world, in such a manner as to practically strangle the expansion of the Colony, and interfere with the due expansion of the shipping trade. He was quite sure there were many people engaged in His Majesty's service—engaged in the Admiralty and engaged elsewhere, who were quite prepared to endorse that view. The whole question resolved itself into one—whether a suitable site which would be equally free from the possibility of an enemy's shell fire and would offer greater facilities, possibly of approach with good anchorage in the neighbourhood, could be obtained elsewhere. From what he knew of the harbour he believed they could assure the Imperial Government that such a site could be obtained elsewhere, and he earnestly hoped that the effect of their petition might be the removal of the Naval Dock from its present unsatisfactory position (applause), and the possibility that in the future, after he had left Hongkong, he might some day have the great pleasure of reading that this great Praye, which had been extended up to the West, might be continued without any break to the Far East of the town. He had no doubt that it would be of enormous advantage to the town in the future. He thought it could be done, and agreed with them that it would be done without practically any expense to the Colony, and without expense to His Majesty's Government. If it could be shown that the factor of time could be satisfactorily met, and that a change to another position would enable His Majesty's Government to construct a Dock in something like the same time as that which must elapse before the present Dock is finished, he thought they might hopefully look for a favourable reception to their petition at home, as he had no doubt His Majesty's Government were as anxious whether the Admiralty, or the Colonial Office, or the War Office, at home to meet the views of the Colony in every way in which they could be met when a fair statement was put before them, and, where, as was probable, the interests of all are bound up. After all they must remember that in all the movements of His Majesty's forces naval and military, they were all primarily for the benefit of colonists in the East, and for the protection of trade. He had not much fear that if they could show that that factor of time could be satisfactorily answered, he himself, was of the hope, and the strongest hope, that the petition which they were about to prepare might have a favourable result. (Applause.) He promised them, so far as he could on those lines, he would support that petition by every means in his power. (Applause.)

Sir PAUL CHATER thanked His Excellency for having granted the interview and the proceedings terminated.

Barber (applying the lather). "I think I've got a better soap now than I've ever had before."

Customer. "I can't see any difference. It all tastes alike to me."

### THE NEW TUNG WA HOSPITAL

#### OPENING CEREMONY.

The new Tung Wa Hospital in Po Yau Street was opened yesterday by H.E. the Governor, Sir H. A. Blake, G.C.M.G., and in preparation for the ceremony the old and new buildings were lavishly and tastefully decorated with flowers, potted plants, and bunting. Besides the Vice-regal party, which included His Excellency, Lady Blake, Miss Blake, and Sir John Keane, Bart. (Private Secretary to the Governor), there were present the Hon. F. H. May and Mrs. May, Lady Goodman, Commodore and Mrs. Robinson, Bishop Hoare, Mr. E. R. Bellio, H.M. Lt. Ho Kai, G.M.G., Rev. C. H. Rickling, Dr. Thomson, Dr. Atkinson, Dr. Gibson, Dr. Pearce, Dr. Noble, Hon. C. W. Dickson, and Messrs. A. H. Rennie, E. M. Hazelton, J. H. Craig, B. K. Leigh, A. S. Hooper, J. R. Michael, G. M. Messer, J. Lunn, G. C. Anderson, F. Browne, A. Gibson, G. A. Woodcock, and a great number of representative Chinese, including Messrs. Fung Wa Chun, Lau Chu Pak, Ho Tong, and Ho Fook.

The proceedings began with the reading of his address to His Excellency by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Tong, previous to which Lady Blake and Miss Blake were each presented with a London bouquet by Mr. Fung Wa Chun and Mr. Ho Tong.

Addressing His Excellency, Mr. LAU CHU PAK said—Spring now gives life to all things: the trees are putting out new shoots; a thousand tints of colour are vying with each other in beauty. Thus not only is the garden adorned with fresh loveliness, but the gardener also is encouraged to renewed effort. To-day, in this assemble month of spring, our new hospital stands completed opposite to the old one. It is as if an old tree had put out a new branch, whose beauty, is before our eyes. As we look at it our hearts are full of joy. Your Excellency, in coming here to-day to open this extension to our hospital, displays such interest in it that all Hongkong may know that we are met together not merely to admire a flower, but in the expectation of luxuriant fruit which will mature from the blossom. Let us then unite gladly in future efforts. The foundation-stone of this extension was laid on the 25th November, 1899. At that time the Government granted us the site and your Excellency honoured us by laying the foundation-stone. Since then three years have elapsed; winds and clouds have gathered and parted. We could scarcely hope that your Excellency, who had laid the foundation-stone, would also perform the opening ceremony. But nevertheless sowing and reaping have been done by the same hand. Now, when a man completes the work which he himself began, his affection for it is intensified. We venture to hope therefore that your Excellency is animated by the same sentiment. During the years that your Excellency's star has shone over Hongkong, all humane and charitable works, such as this hospital, have been steadily carried to completion under your Excellency's care. The whole Colony therefore prays for your blessing upon your Excellency. It is my duty now to give you some details concerning the extension to our hospital. We have to thankfully acknowledge subscriptions from the Chinese in Hongkong and elsewhere to the amount of \$66,360.03, and from Europeans to the amount of \$20,016. The total sum subscribed was \$16,376.03. The cost of building was \$62,448 and the cost of the iron work was \$1,745.76. The arrears for amounted to \$1,964. The new hospital contains one maternity ward, one surgery ward, two first-class wards and four general wards, all of them are bright, well-ventilated, and the convenience of patients has been carefully studied, as you can see, without words of mine, and it will be possible to do away with the Ko Fong ward in the old hospital. So the Tung Wa Hospital has now a fresh attraction, and being more spacious than previously, it will prove a great and permanent benefit to Chinese in sickness. We trust that future benefactors will make further improvements, so that the high standard of the hospital may be maintained. Then your Excellency's kindness and interest in the hospital will not have been in vain.

In declaring the building open, His Excellency said—Mr. Tong, ladies and gentlemen, I have come here with great pleasure to-day, and it is a gratification to me to see the completion, on which I congratulate you, of this valuable addition of the Tung Wa Hospital, and having inspected it more than once during the building, I am in a position to congratulate you upon its excellent wards, and especially upon its maternity wards and its operating room. I need hardly, therefore, assure you of the pleasure with which I attended to-day to open this extension of the Tung Wa Hospital, and to start it upon its beneficial work. I have listened to the statement made by the Chairman with great interest, and it is pleasing to find that so large a proportion of the cost has been subscribed by Europeans, for it shows that in charitable works as in business, the races of the East and the West are working together with that co-operation and good-will that have, within the life of a man, raised this Colony from a fisherman's village, with a few huts, to the position of the second port in the world, in whose harbour the rich argosies of the earth find shelter and security, and within whose borders are found that personal liberty and equality before the law without which there can be no real prosperity or progress. I am glad to find that in the building of this extension, in the first place the Tung Wa Committee should do away with the Ko Fong wards. The Committee have long acknowledged and seen with regret that these wards were unsatisfactory and were hardly ventilated and it is pleasant to feel that the poor we men

who were accommodated within those wards in the past will now be more suitably accommodated. I see before me many ladies and gentlemen who probably have never considered the scope of the work that has been done by the Tung Wa Committee and by this valuable institution. I may tell them that every year between two and three thousand patients are treated in this hospital, that here every man or woman entering the hospital, may elect whether he or she will be treated according to the Chinese method of treatment or to the European method. The wards are all the same, the beds are side by side, the conditions are identical, and therefore those who require are in a position to see which method of treatment offers the greatest prospect of recovery. Besides these thousands of patients who are accommodated every year within the walls of the hospital, a number—reaching, I think, 140,000—of out-patients are annually treated at the dispensary, which is situated at the opposite side of the street. More than that, this hospital not alone will take within its walls those who are sick and of whose recovery there may be hope, it will receive the dying and it will bury the dead, and not alone that, for the poor who are not ill, but who have no place to shelter, are here taken in by this valuable society and accommodated for a time within the walls of the hospital. You will therefore understand how large is the measure of work done by this institution, and looking back upon the accounts of this Colony for several years, and remembering the condition of the city ten or fifteen years ago and now, I question if any factor has been brought to bear in the assumption of misery in the City of Victoria has had a greater share in the good work than the Tung Wa Hospital. When laying the foundation of another extension which is being made by the Chinese to the plague hospital, short time ago, I spoke of the difficulties that probably would be experienced in carrying out sanitary measures in the city. What the effect of those sanitary measures has been who can tell? But I then said that all the steps that were being taken were being taken, as far as we could see, for the benefit of the Chinese people, and that we were all doing what we thought and felt was for the best, and I asked the Chinese population to assist us in carrying out measures that must always be irksome and inconvenient to those upon whose houses those operations took place. I now take this public opportunity of thanking the Chinese people for the way in which they have responded to my request. This City of Victoria has been manifested from one end to the other. There has been great inconvenience and there has been great inconvenience. The people have responded to the advice of their leaders. A new Public Health Bill has just been passed that will be far-reaching in its operations, and will, I hope, make great change in the comfort and in the healthiness of the city in the future. One of the results of that Bill will be, I hope, to reduce the overcrowding in the city, and possibly to enable the Government to have more open spaces, so that the people will have some place possibly for recreation that is not covered with houses. We are now standing in the district of Taipingshan, which in 1894 was the very worst centre of the visitation of the plague, and at great expense the Government removed a portion of Taipingshan and swept it clear of these plague-stricken houses. From time to time there has been a question whether the Government shall not dispose of that land and have it again built upon with more houses. I have come to the conclusion that the greatest improvement in that open space between the new extension is the bright sunlight and the pure air of heaven, and it is my intention to recommend to His Majesty's Government that the vacant space removed in Taipingshan shall be made a people's garden. The health of the city cannot be placed for one instant in the scale against a mere question of dollars and cents, and I have no doubt that the community will large approve of this decision. We are all aware of the efforts that are now being made to combat the two great diseases from which we have most suffered, and these are malaria and plague; and, throwing your eye back behind 1894, I rather think that of the two fearful diseases malaria is the worst. Over all these long years it has claimed its yearly tale of victims, and until the discovery made by Dr. Ross on the means of propagation by a particular kind of mosquito, we knew nothing about it other than the discovery of certain medicines which assisted in its cure. Now that we have discovered the source of this disease, it is the earnest desire of the Medical Department and of the Sanitary Board to prevent the disease by the destruction of mosquitoes. I know that ignorant people may think that the mosquito is a small thing, and may laugh at the idea of saving human life by the simple destruction of so very small a thing as a mosquito, but when they remember that the simple bite of this small insect, which they can hardly see without a magnifying glass, may cost the life of the father of a family or carry away the very best-loved children, the Chinese people will begin to understand the importance of destroying mosquitoes. I ask therefore the Chinese gentlemen and all the Chinese present to impress upon their friends and their acquaintances the importance of helping the Sanitary Board in its efforts to destroy mosquitoes. There is another matter with reference to plague that I take this opportunity of impressing upon the Chinese people. We know that of the people who go to hospital a large number die, and I cannot help thinking that many of those who have died of plague have died because the disease has not been taken in time. Now, under the new law if a person who feels himself ill will only apply in time to a doctor he can be treated in his own house and the Government will undertake that he may be treated by a Chinese doctor or an European doctor as he chooses, and the Government will undertake to find lodgings for the remaining people in the house, leaving him to be treated by his own people. I am convinced that many of these cases where poor men and women are left to die and their bodies afterwards left in the street—that many of these cases are allowed to run their fatal course because the people are afraid, fags, because they would at once be taken to the hospital, and, second, because the house would be disinfected. Disinfected of course the house must be. My house has been disinfected and I don't like it (laughter), but any sensible man must see that if a mad dog was running about his house he would destroy it and that a mad dog is not one of the dangerous as a plague germ—makes its entrance to your body. What I have said as regards this reporting of cases of illness in the very beginning I know is only saying what the Sanitary Board would say themselves and are anxious about, and I wish to try the experiment. I want to feel that in some few cases at least you will come forward in cases of illness, and let that illness be taken in time and we will see

whether a large proportion of lives can be saved by treating the people in their own houses and the other inhabitants of the house elsewhere. We have tried many things and you have gone with me hand in hand. Now I want you to try this and see if it may or may not succeed. It now remains for me to declare the new wing of the hospital open and I shall presently do so with the earnest hope that dicing like the gentle dew of heaven the beneficial effects of this valuable institution may be felt for many a long year by the Chinese poor among us in the management of their misery who when afflicted with disease will find extended to them that brotherly kindness and pity that are the true bonds of union, and help to make the whole world kin. (Applause.)

With a golden key that was handed to him His Excellency then opened the door of the new hospital which he formally declared open.

The inscription on the key is: "Presented by the Committee of the Tung Wa Hospital to H.E. Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G., on the occasion of the opening of the new hospital building. Hongkong, 26th March, 1903."

#### THE NEW BUILDING.

The new building is a very handsome structure, situated opposite to the Tung Wa Hospital, of which it will form an extension. It is bounded on its four sides by Station Street, Market Street, Pound Lane and Po Yau Street. The building consists of three blocks on different levels. First there is the administrative block with out-of-hall, doctors' rooms, consulting room and office on the ground floor; and operating room with four private single wards for surgical cases on the upper floor. The operating room is lighted from the roof and is fitted with all the most modern requirements. Downstairs, the central hall is a finely fitted apartment, laid with marble tiles; the walls are done with green-faced brick and there are several beautiful Chinese columns. The second block consists of two 7-beded wards on the ground floor and two corresponding wards above, making 28 beds in this portion of the building. In the third block there is one large ward of 18 beds on the ground floor and a similar ward on the upper floor. There is thus a total accommodation of 64 beds independently of the surgical wards. In addition to these there are attendants' rooms, hospital kitchens, lavatories, and all the essentials of a complete modern hospital. Communication from one block to another is provided by covered ways. The building itself is of a very substantial nature and does credit to the architects, Messrs. Leigh & Orange. No expense has been spared to make the institution as perfect as modern medical and surgical science can make it; the isolation of the wards and the general arrangements are alike admirable. About \$70,000, exclusive of the cost of the site which is part of the Tungpingshan, was granted by the Government, and was spent on the new hospital.

#### SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 26th March.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HIS EXCELLENCE SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

#### "AN EXTRAORDINARY CASE."

Lui Kut Wan, described as sole surviving partner of the Wing On firm carrying on business in Jervois Street, applied for a receiving order against himself and the firm and asked that a manager be appointed for the business. Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton of Messrs. Mounsey & Bruton, solicitors, appeared in support of the application. The assets, he said, exceeded the liabilities, but execution had been issued in judgment in six summary suits and the stock-in-trade had been seized and was now in possession of the bailiff. The sale of the stock-in-trade had been postponed until the hearing of this application, by arrangement with Mr. D'Almada, solicitor for the execution creditors. The business was a lucrative one. He asked his Lordship to grant the application and appoint a manager of the concern.

His Lordship remarked that he could not understand the application. Applicant was a man with \$15,000, according to his own showing and yet apparently he did not pay his debts. It was in consequence of this that the six creditors brought actions against him in the Summary Court and they recovered judgment and took out execution. They were prima facie entitled to the fruits of their judgment.

Mr. Bruton said they would get paid.

His Lordship replied that it was a puzzle to him why he did not pay.

Mr. Bruton remarked that it had been a puzzle to him also. The man was really not capable of managing his own affairs.

His Lordship said he must then as a matter of fact be off his head; but there was nothing to that in the affidavit. Why should not the creditors sell the goods? It was an exceedingly annoying thing for the creditors, after taking the trouble of going into the Summary Court to find the applicant going behind their backs and snapping his fingers at them by going into the Bankruptcy Court.

Mr. Bruton repeated that the creditors would be paid.

His Lordship said it was very difficult now-a-days to know when to believe affidavits. If the man had the money why did he not pay?

Who was now managing the business?

Lui Kut Wan was put into the witness-box to be examined, but he showed such marked inability to understand what was wanted of him that

His Lordship stopped the examination and said he thought he had better give a receiving order. This was a most extraordinary case. The witness did not seem to know what he was about. His Lordship appointed Mr. Bruce Atkinson, Mr. Gibbs, Miss Atkinson, Mr. Chenevert, Mr. Smith, from Marseilles; Mr. Fesse, Mrs. and Miss Greig, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Wright, Mr. F. C. Kondel.

Per P. and O. steamer Shanghai, from London, February 21.—Capt. J. H. Black, Capt. L. A. and Mrs. Hargrave, Major Black, Goldsmith.

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### 26, Des Vaux Road Central, suit J. E. vander

One for damages, the action arising out of the

charter by the plaintiffs of the steamer *Steipner*

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (instructed by Mr. F.

B. L. Bowley of Messrs. Demens & Bowley,

solicitors), appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. T.

Morgan Phillips, barrister-at-law (instructed by

Mr. G. C. C. Master of Messrs. Stokes & Master,

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PLAN OF FOREIGN SETTLEMENTS, TIENTHIN  
NEW PLAN OF SINGTAU (KIAOCHAU)  
PLAN OF FOREIGN CONCESSION, SHANGHAI with Large Plan of the City of Victoria  
PLAN OF PEAK DISTRICT, VICTORIA  
PLAN OF KOWLOON  
NEW PLAN OF HANOI  
NEW PLAN OF MANILA  
NEW AND ENLARGED PLAN OF SINGAPORE  
PLAN OF PENANG  
NEW PLAN OF BATAVIA

### HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

#### EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at noon yesterday at the office of the general manager, Messrs. J. D. Humphreys & Son, 38, Queen’s Road Central. Mr. Hart Bink (chairman) presided and the others present were Messrs. A. H. Mancoll, C. Evans, A. G. Wood, H. Humphreys, Ho Fook, Ho Tung, Captain Clarke, and Mr. J. L. Cotton (secretary).

The notice calling the meeting having been read,

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, you have been called together to consider what has now become a very important question to this Company, viz., that of fire insurance; and to pass, if you approve, the resolutions in connection therewith, which your general managers and directors have adopted subject to your confirmation.

I shall be glad to have the opinions and votes of shareholders present on the matter, but before doing so, it would be as well to place before you as concisely as possible the reasons which influenced your Board in coming to their decision.

As you are doubtless aware, the fire insurance companies have lately raised their rates all round 25 per cent. With the new rates in force, some of your Chinese property will give you a net return of less than 6 per cent. per annum, and you may the more readily understand the position which I tell you, that in some cases the annual premiums now charged are equivalent to two months’ gross rentals.

If insurance companies refused to take risks on Chinese stocks-in-trade, there is no reason why the rates on Chinese property should not be as low or lower than on European properties, but I suppose that contingency is a remote one. What we have to face is the fact that existing premiums on Chinese property in the Colony constitute so great a burden as to render most of it unremunerative at present rentals. The question arises, therefore, whether this fire insurance incusus is not out of all proportion to the risks run. Comparatively speaking the risks are small. Our Chinese properties are so scattered that no single fire is likely to inflict a greater loss on us than \$1,000, a ad to effect this a whole block would have to be burnt to the ground, a state of affairs which happily seldom occurs. Your directors are in favour of taking all the fire risk on your Chinese property and half that on your European properties, as the rates on the latter are very much lower, and a much greater amount of damage could be inflicted on the Company by a single fire than would be possible in the case of your Chinese properties.

We have paid during the past six years upwards of \$20,000 to the insurance companies, and received in return for fire damage \$300. During the next six years the fire premium will probably amount to \$40,000 and I think you will agree that with ordinary luck we may be able to build up a very substantial insurance reserve fund out of premiums alone. Before putting the resolutions to the vote, I shall be pleased to answer any questions or hear anything shareholders may have to say, but I may mention that it is not the intention of the board to give effect to the resolutions, unless a majority of at least two-thirds of the shareholders present are in favour.

Capt. CLARKE—Mr. Chairman, I think that you will agree that with ordinary luck we may be able to build up a very substantial insurance reserve fund out of premiums alone. Before putting the resolutions to the vote, I shall be pleased to answer any questions or hear anything shareholders may have to say, but I may mention that it is not the intention of the board to give effect to the resolutions, unless a majority of at least two-thirds of the shareholders present are in favour.

Mr. HUMPHREYS—I think that applies in Kowloon only.

The CHAIRMAN—Of course, Captain Clarke, these resolutions, if passed, do not necessarily take effect. The point is that it gives the directors the power to carry out the resolutions if they consider it necessary. The fire insurance companies might consider it advisable to put up their rates again, and it would be a strong position for the Company to be able to carry these resolutions in effect.

Capt. CLARKE—I quite agree that the directors should have that power, but there is one question I should like to ask: What means have the Government over on the Kowloon side for extinguishing fires—what appliances have they got? I understand they have no fire engines at all.

Mr. HUMPHREYS—They have the marine engines, which are handy in case of a fire near the Praya. Of course, all the houses in Kowloon are near the Praya.

Capt. CLARKE—Then they have not a single fire engine in Kowloon?

The CHAIRMAN—Who, the Government?

Capt. CLARKE—Yes.

Capt. CLARKE—It is a fine state of affairs to trust to the floating fire-engines; it seems to me like trusting to rotten reeds. I have even

correspondence relative to the occupation of the Paint Works at Shaukiwan.

9. Application to erect a urinal in a house on I. L. No. 1,321.

2. Minute by the Medical Officer of Health relative to the new law governing cubicles.

3. Minute by the Medical Officer of Health recommending that the City of Victoria and Old Kowloon be defined as local limits within which the Bye-laws for the “Prevention or Mitigation of Epidemic, Endemic or Contagious Disease” may be carried out.

4. Minute by the Medical Officer of Health recommending that certain Inspectors be appointed to carry out the provisions of the Bye-laws for the “Prevention or Mitigation of Epidemic, Endemic or Contagious Disease.”

5. Minute by the Medical Officer of Health by the Board to institute legal proceedings.

7. Minute by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

Capt. CLARKE—I believe not.

Capt. CLARKE—It is a fine state of affairs to trust to the floating fire-engines; it seems to me like trusting to rotten reeds. I have even

correspondence relative to the occupation of the Paint Works at Shaukiwan.

9. Application to erect four water-closets in the Building on I. L. No. 1,563.

10. Correspondence relative to the urinals at the City H.I.I.

11. Plan of a proposed public latrine at Tai Heng.

12. Minute by the Medical Officer of Health recommending that a well at To Kwa Wan be closed.

13. Further correspondence relative to the yards for three new houses to be erected upon K. C. L. No. 1,036, Mongkoktau.

14. Application for permission to erect one trough closet, eight water closets and four urinals at a new block on M. L. No. 103.

15. Limewashing Return for the fortnight ended March 14th, 1903.

16. Rat Return for the fortnight ended March 23rd, 1903.

17. Correspondence relative to the fees for market licences.

here in Hongkong, on the occasion of a fire in Wellington Street, the floating fire-engine took forty-five minutes before it got the order to leave the site of that fire to go to another on a steamer in the harbour. In taking the risk on your property, I think it would be as well to consider what appliances there are over in Kowloon for extinguishing fires.

The CHAIRMAN—Of course, Captain Clarke, as I told you in my opening speech, during the last six years we paid over \$20,000 to the fire insurance companies, and we have only received \$300 for fire damage, so

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Mar. 26, KANSU, British str., 1,143, W. Baddeley, Newchwang via Chefoo 19th March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Mar. 26, KUHSANG, British str., 3,078, E. J. Buller, Calcutta and Singapore 29th Mar., General.—JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.  
Mar. 26, LENA, Norwegian str., 979, Borgo, Saigon 21st March, Rio and General.—SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
Mar. 26, OANFA, British str., 4,866, Bartlett, Liverpool 9th February via Singapore 20th March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Mar. 26, VENONA, German str., 3,036, H. N. Spiers, Kuching 21st March, Coal.—MITSUI BUSSEI KAISHA.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
26th March.

BENALDER, British str., for Moulineau.  
Choutai, German str., for Bangkok.  
Huching, British str., for Swatow.  
Hochau, French str., for Hoihow.  
Indramanah, British str., for Moji.  
Kanau, British str., for Canton.  
Nanchang, British str., for Swatow.  
Pekin, British str., for Shanghai.  
Pembroke, British str., for Shanghai.  
Triumph, German str., for Choo.  
Wakasa Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.  
Woosung, British str., for Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

26th March.  
AMPHITRITE, British cruiser, for Japan.  
BENALDER, British str., for Moulineau.  
CHOUTAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
FAUFAZ, British str., for Canton.  
GERMANIA, German str., for Hoihow.  
HIPPO, British str., for Shanghai.  
HONGWAU I, British str., for Amoy.  
IN RASAMIA, British str., for Portland (Or.).  
KANSU, British str., for Canton.  
NANCHANG, British str., for Tientsin.  
PEKIN, British str., for Shanghai.  
WOOSUNG, British str., for Canton.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

26th March.

ANERDSEN DOCKS.—Eduard Nossack.  
K. W. DOCKS—Ku-shan, Companie de Filippines, Sherman, Iloilo de Cebu, Zafiro, Hinsang, Hyades, U.S.A. Helena, Reina, Apurada, Hada.

## COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Kansu*, from Newchwang via Chefoo 19th March, had moderate mouson and fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Oanfa*, from Liverpool 9th Feb. and Singapore 20th March, had light N.E. winds and very fine weather.

The British steamer *Kunming*, from Calcutta and Singapore 20th March, had light to moderate N.E. winds and fine weather throughout.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.  
THE Company's Steamer.

## HAICHING.

Captain Hodges, will be despatched for the above ports, TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamer.

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Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched for the above ports, TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship.

## KUMANO MARU.

5,000 Tons, Captain E. W. Haswell, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewards are required.

For further particulars, apply to  
A. S. MIHARA,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRA-LIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON, THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSEL GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

## MALTA.

Captain C. L. W. Field, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Marseilles and LONDON DIRECT, on SATURDAY, the 28th March, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to  
E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903.

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## NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undesignated GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THE BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with Indo-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s forthcoming service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents for China and Japan.  
Hongkong, 4th August, 1903.

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CANAL.  
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THE First-class steamer

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will be despatched on or about FRIDAY, the 15th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1903.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA  
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

KUMANO MARU ..... SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA  
E. W. Haswell ..... MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE ..... FRIDAY, 27th Mar.  
MARSIEELLES, LONDON and  
H. Poterac ..... ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE ..... SATURDAY, 4th Apr.  
SAID ..... PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT ..... at DAYLIGHT.

TOSA MARU ..... VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE ..... TUESDAY, 7th Apr.

CHRISTENSEN ..... U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... at 4 P.M.

IDZUMI MARU ..... BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE ..... WEDNESDAY, 8th Apr.

M. Yagi ..... COLOMBO ..... at 4 P.M.

KAGOSHIMA MARU ..... MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... FRIDAY, 17th Apr.

KINSHU MARU ..... KORI ..... at NOON.

F. J. Pyne ..... MARSIEELLES, LONDON and  
H. Fraser ..... ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE ..... SATURDAY, 18th Apr.

W. Bainbridge ..... SAID ..... at DAYLIGHT.

HIOSHIMA MARU ..... BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE ..... TUESDAY, 21st Apr.

J. Nagao ..... COLOMBO ..... at NOON.

KAGA MARU ..... VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE ..... TUESDAY, 21st Apr.

Geo. Anderson ..... U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... at 4 P.M.

KANAGA MARU ..... NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... WEDNESDAY, 22nd Apr.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager. [9]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

FIUME AND TRIESTE "DIRECT".  
Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

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THE Company's Steamship

"NIPPON"

Captain Klaatsberger, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to  
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,  
Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

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FOR SINGAPORE, RANGOON AND MOULMAIN.

THE Steamship

"FREIBURG"

Captain Proesch, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at NOON.

For Freight, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTIS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDEICHERRY, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.  
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 7th April, 1903, at 11 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SYDNEY", Captain Blane, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 6th April, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M., on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to the Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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PERLA ..... 1980 J. McGinty ..... [17]

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR

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Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1903.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

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FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 27th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 3rd April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 9th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 16th April.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 31st March.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 14th April.
LIVERPOOL VIA MARSEILLE	"PINGUIN"	On 18th April.
LONDON	"DEUCALION"	On 28th April.
LONDON	"AGAMEMNON"	On 12th May.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"PATROCLUS"	On 25th May.
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 26th May.

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## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	On 27th March.
The S.S. "OANFA", from Glasgow and Liverpool, has arrived, and leaves for Japan to-day.	"KEEMUN"	On 18th April.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1903.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"TAIWAN"	On 28th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 30th March.
SHANGHAI	"WU-SUNG"	On 1st April.
MANILA	"KANSU"	On 3rd April.
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	On 4th April.

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1903.

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Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
"ROHILLA MARU"	E. P. Bishop	3839	Tuesday, 31st March, at Noon.
"ROSETTA MARU"	N. Tate	3876	Friday, 3rd April, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 29th March.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 5th April.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"MAHDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY	"ANPING MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 8th April.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first-class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

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For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply to Company's local Branch Office at No. 2 Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 10th April
Capt. Mayer	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	Freight & Passengers.
SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 21st April
Capt. Schmidt	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	Freight.
SERBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 5th May
Capt. Deinat	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	Freight.
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 19th May
Capt. Bremer	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	Freight.
SEGOWIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 2nd June
Capt. Farok	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	Freight.

For Further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, NO. 1.

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"PEKIN" FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—

From Persian Gulf, ex.s.s. B. I. S. N. and

B. &amp; P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 30th inst., at 4 P.M.

will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and

the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have

left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE."

Captain E. J. Liddle, having arrived from the above ports Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to

be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 30th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN, TOMEI &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"WAKASA MARU"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of general Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless in

structions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-MORROW, 26th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 1st prox. will be

subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 4th prox., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"SOCOTRA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

11 A.M. TO-MORROW, 26th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 31st inst

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcel Mails for Europe, &c., per s.s. *Malta*, will close at 3 p.m., to-day. The *Battawar*, with the English Mail of the 27th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 22nd inst., at noon, and may be expected here to-day. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 20th January.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PRB	DATE
Canton		Friday, 27th, 7.30 A.M.
Bangkok		Friday, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Friday, 10.00 A.M.
Macao		27th, 11.30 P.M.
Wuhu		Friday, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Friday, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne		Friday, 3.00 P.M.
Manila		Friday, 3.00 P.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., Seattle and Tacoma		Friday, 4.00 P.M.
Kumamoto Maru		Friday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Yokohama		Friday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Osaka		Friday, 27th, 4.00 P.M.
Tungkong		Friday, 27th, 4.00 P.M.
Taiice		Friday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.
Patshau		Friday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.
Hainan		Saturday, 9.00 A.M.
Bubi		Saturday, 9.00 A.M.
Verona		Saturday, 10.00 A.M.
Tremont		Saturday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Taiyuan		Saturday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Malta		Priated Master and samples, 10.00 A.M.
Registration, 10.00 A.M.		Registration, with int. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Letters		11.00 A.M.
Hsingi		Saturday, 28th, 1.00 P.M.
Thales		Saturday, 28th, 4.00 P.M.
Hingang		Saturday, 28th, 5.00 P.M.
Daijin Maru		Sunday, 29th, 9.00 A.M.

## TO-DAY.

R. A. Sports, 11 a.m.  
Sale, Household Furniture, No. 4, East Terrace, Kowloon, Mr. Gee, P. Lamont, 3 p.m.  
Meeting of Macmillan Memorial Fund, Queen's College, 3.30 p.m.

## TO-MORROW.

Sale, Miscellaneous Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedies, 2 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

26th March.

ON LONDON.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1.71  
Bank Bills on Demand ..... 1.71  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 1.71  
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 1.71  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 1.71  
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight ..... 1.71

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 201  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 205

ON GERMANY.—

On demand ..... 163

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 39  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 39

ON BOMEY.—

Telegraphic Transfer ..... 119  
Bank, on demand ..... 119

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer ..... 119  
Bank, on demand ..... 119

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight ..... 7.01  
Private, 30 days' sight ..... 7.01

ON YOKOHAMA.—

On demand ..... 781  
On demand ..... 1 p.c. 1 m.

ON MANILA.—

On demand ..... 1 p.c. 1 m.

ON SINGAPORE.—

On demand ..... Nominal  
On demand ..... 1 p.c. 1 m.

ON BATAVIA.—

On demand ..... 96  
On demand ..... 2 p.c. p.m.

ON HAIFONG.—

On demand ..... 2 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON.—

On demand ..... 2 p.c. p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—

On demand ..... 60  
24 VERSIONS, Banks Buying Rate, \$1.40

1 D. LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ..... 865

1 D. SILVER, per oz. ..... 2.17

## OPIUM.

26th March.  
Quotations are:— Allow 10% net to 1 cent.  
Malwa New ..... to per picul  
Malwa Old ..... \$1.80 to \$1.90  
Malwa Older ..... \$1.10 to \$1.30  
Malwa V. Old ..... \$1.140 to \$1.169  
Persian fine quality ..... \$780 to —  
Persian extra fine ..... — to —  
Patna New ..... \$1.60 to — per cwt.  
Patna Old ..... — to —  
Bengares New ..... \$1.670 to —  
Bengares Old ..... — to —

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. & O. steamer *Battawar* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., at noon, and is due here to-day, at about noon.

## THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 22nd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 31st inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Juanfau* left Colombo on the 24th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 1st prox.

## THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Silvert* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 11th inst.

## THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call, on the 24th inst., a.m.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China's *Nameang*, left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 25th inst., and may be expected here on the 11th prox.

## MERCHANT SHIPS.

The O.S.S. steamer *Menelaus* left Singapore at noon on the 22nd inst., and is expected here to-day.

The T.K.K. steamer *Rohilla Maru* left Manila on the 25th inst., p.m., and is expected here to-day, at 3 p.m.

The A.L. steamer *Tonkin* left Singapore on the 18th inst., at 1 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

The H.A.L. steamer *Sacramento*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 29th inst.

The "Barber" Line steamer *Sugani* left Singapore on the 19th inst., a.m., for this port via Manila.

The A.L. steamer *Nippon* left Moji for this port on the 25th inst.

The N.P. steamer *Olympia* arrived at Yokohama on the 18th inst.

The P. & O. steamer *Indravelli* left Portland (Or.) for this port via Yokohama, Kobe and Moji, on the 8th inst., and may be expected here on the 8th prox.

The N.P. steamer *Tacoma* left Victoria (B.C.) for Kobe direct on the 8th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.



CUTLER, PALMER & CO., LONDON  
AGENTS: CRAWFORD & CO.  
HONG KONG.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 24th March.

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS.
Banks Hongkong & Shui.	\$125	\$625, buyers L. don 202.10s.
Natl. Bank of China A. Shares	43	\$224, buyers B. Shares
Four. Shui.	21	\$321, buyers Four. Shui.
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	21	\$10, buyers Campbell, M. & Co. & Co.
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	12	\$17, buyers China Prov. L. & M.
China Sugar	30	\$9.65, sellers Cigar Companies
Ashland, Ld.	500	\$352, sellers L. & L. Tobacco
Trust Co., Ltd.	50	\$26, sales & sol.
Trust Mills	100	\$100, buyers T. Mills.
Ewo	100	T. 28, buyers International
Ts. 75	374	T. 40, buyers Lau Kung Mow
Ts. 600	160	T. 160, buyers Soychee
Hongkong	10	\$17, sellers Dairy Farm
100	111, buyers Hongkong & C. Gas	
Hongkong Electric	25	\$344, buyers H. & C. Bakery
H. H. Lamways	10	\$32, ex div. Hongkong Water
boat Co., Ltd.	50	\$50, sellers Hongkong
Hongkong Hotel	50	\$141, buyers Hongkong Ice
Hongkong Fire	25	\$228, buyers Hongkong Fire
North China	25	\$200, buyers Strata
Union	100	\$1, nominal Jangtze
and Building	100	\$176, buyers Hongkong Land Inv.
Humphries Estate	100	\$12, buyers Humphries Estate
Kowloon Land & B.	80	\$35, buyers West Point Building
Luzon Sugar	100	\$124, sellers Luzon Sugar
Malua Invest. Co., Ltd.	50	\$16, sales Milling
Charbonnages	250	\$600, sellers Charbonnages
Leibet	5	\$1, buyers Pumpon
Do. Preference	10	\$29.00, buyers Kauhs
Do. Ordinary	15/10	\$38.50, & sel. New Amoy Dock
Imperial Hotel, Manila	50	\$60, & sel. Fowl, Ld.
Johnson Piano Co., Ltd.	50	\$10, 110, & sel. Jiangtze
China and Manila	50	\$27, buyers Douglas Steamship
H. C. Parker	50	\$43, buyers H. C. Parker
Matthew	10	\$37, buyers W. E. Steers
A. Hayward	10	\$100, buyers F. J. Steinberg
E. J. Steele	10	\$100, buyers K. Kirk
E. & S. Pilsbury	10	\$100, buyers Z. R. Nemazee
K. Brule	10	\$100, buyers J. Arima
T. Yonei	10	\$100, buyers M. Kato
H. Mizuno	10	\$100, buyers S. Watanabe
K. Hasegawa	10	\$100, buyers K. Sawada
K. Kogoshima	10	\$100, buyers S. Ots. Ghani and Miss Tama
Yestida.	10	\$100, buyers Yestida.

## TO LET

"BISNEE VILLA," POKVULUM ROAD,  
in first-class state of repair; and  
Land on sea front, Kowloon Marine Lot No. 5,  
admirably suited for the storage of coal.

Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1903.

## TO LET.

NOS. 10, 12 and 14, LEIGHTON HILL  
ROAD.  
For Particulars, please apply to  
MR. LI PAK,  
Care of Compradore,  
NISSON YUSEN KAISHA,  
1st Floor No. 1, Prince's Buildings, Chater Rd.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1902.

## TO LET.

NOS. 1 & 3, "MAGDALEN TERRACE,"  
Corner houses, MAGDALEN GAP.  
Apply to SPANISH PROCURATION,  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1903.

## TO LET.

C. R.,  
Care of Daily Press Office,  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

## TO LET.

FURNISHED completely, with possession  
from 1st May, semi-detached SIX-  
ROOMED HOUSE, No. 2, GOMES  
VILLAS, DES VOUX ROAD, Kowloon.  
Cool and breezy. Facing Kowloon Bay. May be  
inspected by appointment.

Address—

C. R.,  
Care of Daily Press Office,  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

## TO LET.

HOUSES at Nos. 2, 3 and 4, CHICO  
TERRACE, off Upper Peel Street.  
Each house with Five Rooms and good  
Servants' Quarters. Rent Moderate.